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17 January 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT : Hardship Claim - [REDACTED]

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1. A memorandum directed to you from the Chief, WH Division dated 30 December 1955, recommended approval of certain expenses incurred by subject in preparing for an overseas assignment which was subsequently cancelled. It also requests that consideration be given to allowing subject to repay the outstanding balance of his advance in monthly payments.

2. The memorandum states that subject had completed preparations for departure for overseas when both he and the Division were notified approximately 48 hours prior to his scheduled departure that he had been disapproved for overseas duty by the Medical Office. Subject has submitted a very detailed ten page accounting of expenses incurred by him in preparation for the assignment for which he thinks he should be reimbursed by the Agency. The total expenses in this accounting amount to \$1240.60 stated to be the amount of losses suffered as a result of the cancellation of his orders. The Division has recommended that expenses in the amount of \$58.81 be approved and that he be allowed to repay the outstanding balance of his advance (\$541.19) in monthly payments to be liquidated within six months.

3. The WH Division's interpretation of OGC Opinion No. 53-2 is correct. Under the rule stated in that opinion, it would be legally objectionable to allow reimbursement for personal expenditures incurred in preparing for the trip. Expenditures not of a strictly personal nature, are, of course, reimbursable. Approval of specific expenditures can be made by the Finance Division.

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4. The decision as to whether or not [REDACTED] should be allowed to repay the balance of his advance in monthly installments is an administrative one and not to be made by this Office.

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